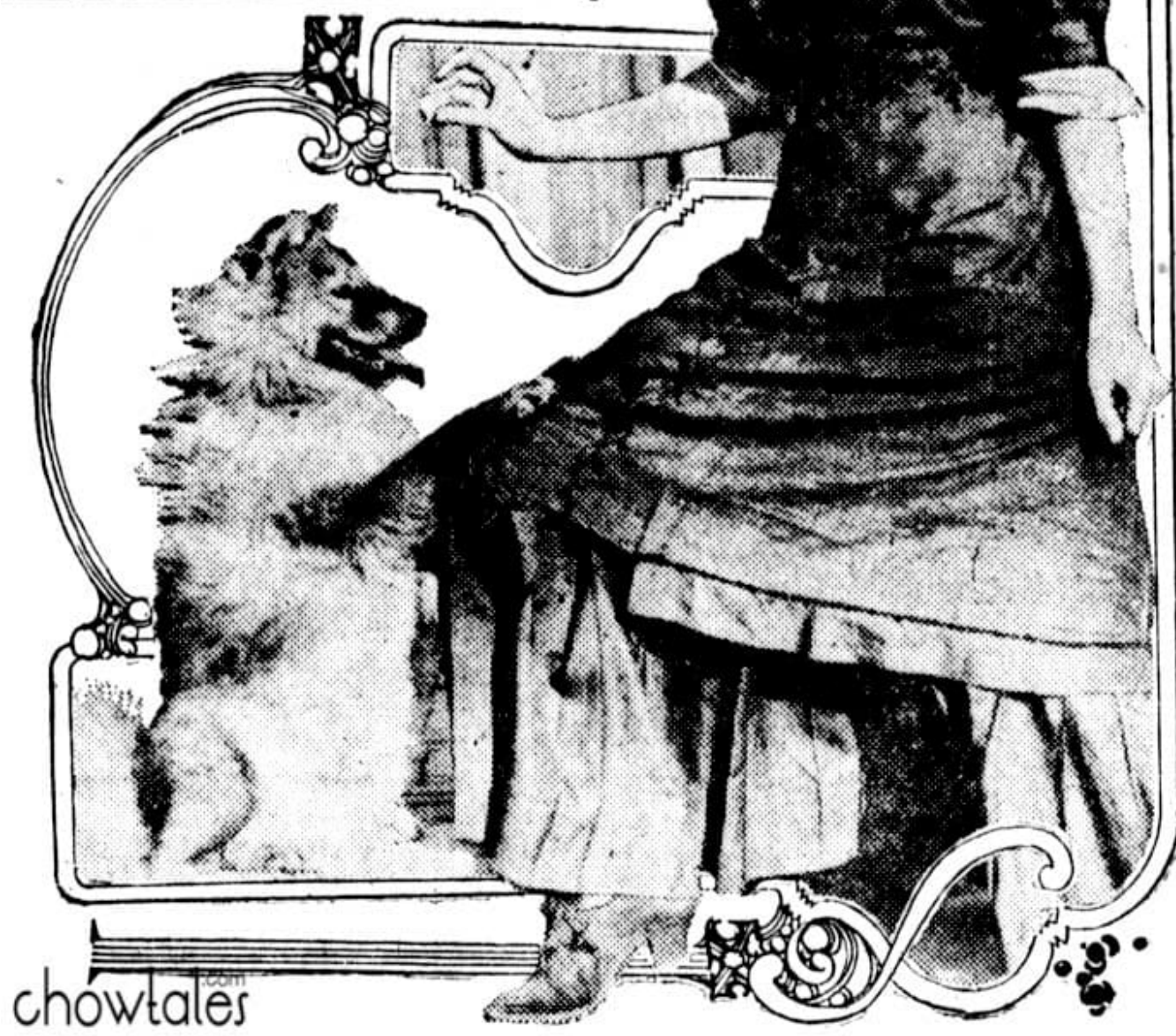


**1912 Mrs Overton shows her
Chinese import chow in Los
Angeles**

PET DOGS ENTERED FOR KENNEL SHOW

Mrs. Eugene Overton Will Enter
Her Imported Pet Chow-
Chow Pug

Circa 1912
Los Angeles



Charming newspaper images of chows and their owners are rarely found in such beautiful condition. Newsprint bleeds or darkens

over time. Many times only the dog or owner will be visible. This clipping from a Los Angeles newspaper tells one of the earliest Chinese chow imports to the west coast being exhibited in Southern California. This is what the Chow breed looked like a little over 100 years ago as it came from it's homeland.

This is just my guess that the other 20 chows that traveled with Puyi may have either perished from disease or the bamboo trick ([CLICK HERE](#)) which I am finding in my research was used enough times to be extremely frustrating and absolutely heartbreaking to all involved on the importing end.

Los Angeles is going to the how-
wows—that is, the dog-loving portion
of it, for the Ladies' Kennel associa-
tion of Southern California is giving
its third annual dog show Thursday,
Friday and Saturday of this week in
the old postoffice building at Seventh
street and Grand avenue. More than
300 dogs have been entered already
and more are still to be registered be-
fore the opening day.

Among the number there is one ani-
mal that, both on account of its being
of a rare breed and also on account
of its beauty, will attract a great deal
of attention. This is "Puyi," a chow
chow dog from Hong Kong, China. He
was brought over nearly a year ago
together with twenty others of the
same breed, but was the only one to
survive the trip. He is a medium-
sized animal with a beautiful, tawny
yellow coat, large brown, intelligent
eyes, pointed ears that give him some-
thing of the appearance of a wolf and
a perfectly black tongue and mouth.
He is owned by Mrs. Mary Caswell,
principal of the Marlborough School
for Girls, and has been entered for
the show by her son-in-law, Eugene
Overton.

In coming to this country Puyi prob-
ably escaped a most cruel fate, for in
his native land these dogs are sold
in the markets at six weeks of age
for food and are served on the Chinese
tables in the manner that young pigs
are served here.

Other dogs which will be shown by
E. J. Crandall, a local breeder and
proprietor of boarding and training
kennels, are his own English pointer,
"Queenie;" "Pat Harris," an English
bull belonging to Fred C. Harris;
"Hypo," an Airedale terrier which is
the property of Barney Oldfield;
"Queenie," a St. Bernard owned by Dr.
R. S. Lanterman; a couple of Irish
setters belonging to Mrs. William
Brennan, two Irish bulls owned by
Irving Hammond, Miss Clara Ger-
maine's golden cocker spaniel and two
other cocker spaniels belonging to J.
Keating.
